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BEER BOWL

Your choice of brew for the big game could say a lot about you

Reuters

NEW YORK With about 100 million people expected to watch the Super Bowl on Sunday, a big decision for many fans will be what type of beer to drink during the four-hour TV broadcast.

Gene Muller, owner of the Flying Fish Brewing Company in Cherry Hill, N.J., said the choice of lager or ale for the game between the Green Bay Packers and the Pittsburgh Steelers could depend on whether you're a football fan.

"If you're going to watch the game, you need something that will let you get through the four hours. Like an extra pale ale that has some flavor to it, but allows you to still be able to enjoy a few," he said.

"If, on the other hand, you're just interested in the commercials and don't mind sleeping through the halftime show, you can go with something that may have a bit more flavor and alcohol like a Belgian-style beer."

At the Hinterland Brewery in Green Bay, Wis., where every good football game is accompanied by bratwurst, owner Bill Tressler expects most of his customers will be sipping the fuller-bodied ales.

"The hoppiness of the ales really stands up very well with the spice from, say, bratwurst or chicken wings," he explained, adding that if the Packers win, he will break out the maple bock.

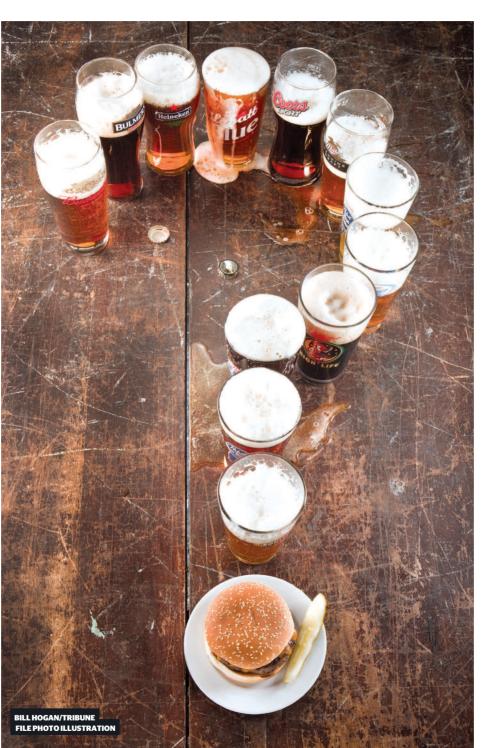
"It's made with maple syrup. We don't use the maple for flavoring. We use it for extra fermentable sugar," he said.

Ryan Johnson, brew master for the Miller-Coors' craft and imported beers in Chicago, explained that while there are many styles of beer, there really are only two types—ale and lager. The main difference between them is the kind of yeast used in fermentation.

Ales, which have been around for thousands of years, "tend to be discussed in terms such as fruity, robust and flavorful," according to Johnson, "while lagers are often described as crisp, clean and refreshing."

And just as there are broad guidelines for wines, the same holds true for beer.

"Nice ales are almost like red wines and go very well with bigger, more flavorful dishes.



Lagers, more often than not, tend to be paired with lighter fare," Johnson said.

He recommends lighter lagers to quench the fire from hot chicken wings, though the malt in ale has a sweetness that also works well with spicy foods. Johnson said stouts and sweeter ales also had a proper place at the Super Bowl party table.

"Stouts will act as cold coffee with dessert," he said, "except for the lack of caffeine and the addition of alcohol."

World poll: What we're worried about

Reuters

NEW YORK Unemployment, poverty and social injustice are the top global concerns and most people think their country is heading in the wrong direction, according to a new poll.

The Ipsos/Reuters survey of 18,676 adults in 24 nations in Asia, Africa, Europe and North and South America also showed that only a third of global citizens are "satisfied" with the way things are going in their own country.

The lack of jobs was a bigger concern than corruption and financial scandals except in India, Indonesia and South Korea, and trumped health care in all countries apart from Brazil and Canada.

"Global worries have not changed since 2010," said John Wright, senior vice president and managing director at Ipsos.

He found two of the findings particularly interesting.

"First, even though unemployment and jobs is at the top of the list, the most ubiquitous issue is really poverty and social inequality," he explained, adding it was among the main four concerns in 23 countries.

"The second thing that was really revealing was in terms of how badly off Europe is ... France and the UK and most of Europe, except Germany, is in such a dire circumstance in terms of where people think their country is at and where it is going."

By contrast the majority of residents of China, Saudi Arabia, Brazil, Indonesia and India are confident in the direction their country is headed.

Residents were most pessimistic in Italy, Japan, France, Belgium and Spain.

Brazil and India are the only two nations in which lack of jobs was not mentioned among the top four major worries, while the U.S. was the sole nation in which poverty was not mentioned.

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Shirley this movie is totally awesome

I'm not going to weigh in on the blizzard. After all, what is there to add? Particularly considering @ozzieguillen already tweeted everything that needed to be said:

"Is to windy."

Plus, I'm still reeling from another event: a screening of "Airplane!" last weekend at River East.

The movie itself was glorious. I'd seen "Airplane!" countless times (only because I didn't count them) but never on the big screen.

And despite our ever-grander TVs, a movie belongs in the theater, especially when that movie includes a scene of a human heart jumping on a desk at the Mayo Clinic, which incidentally is full of mayonnaise

Part of the joy of the cinema, of course, is the communal experience, especially for comedies. We can't help but laugh when other people laugh.

And this is why I'm reeling.

When I found out "Airplane!" was screening—only twice!—I immediately logged on to one of those websites you can buy tickets from in advance in exchange for them e-mailing you every day afterward to ask whether you enjoyed the movie.

My hands were shaking as I made my purchase. I've failed many times to secure tickets—to concerts, Bears games, front row for Glenn Beck at the Chicago Theatre in April—and surely an "Airplane!" screening was hotter than all of those. But no, and, right, don't call me Shirley.

I got two tickets. I then e-mailed a friend, who, sensing my urgency, scooped up four more. And we set out to fill our seats with only the most deserving friends. And when they inexplicably didn't want to go, less-deserving ones. And then, finally, we tried to convince our wives.

Did no one realize how big an event this would be? Would we even be able to hear the jokes amid the laughter? Would getting there an hour early be safe enough? Would Leslie Nielsen's coffin be lying in state?

Needless to say, the two of us, plus another friend and three unused tickets, arrived at a nearly empty River East, where we were directed to a small, half-filled theater so far away we may have walked all the way to Pipers Alley.

It's a weird, somewhat sad feeling—when you think something that matters so much to you matters equally to the world at large only to find out, well, no.

Yes, I realize we all have our interests, and that it's not 1980 anymore, but it's ... "Airplane!" Isn't this a movie that unites us?

I laughed for 90 minutes straight—but left the theater feeling, as I imagine everyone does at a certain point, that the world had sped ahead of me, and that the only way to catch up was to go rent a

To quote (and translate) one of the jive-talkers in "Airplane!": "Golly!" mark bazer is a redeye special contributor.



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Cars wait to be hauled away as crews plow Lake Shore Drive on Wednesday. william deshazer/tribune

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ARCTIC BLAST FOLLOWS BLIZZARD

Chicago Tribune

Brace yourself for Snowpacalypse, Part 2.

The National Weather Service issued a wind chill advisory Wednesday, adding insult to injury for folks who just endured the third-largest snowstorm ever recorded in Chicago. Temperatures were expected to drop to as low as 15 degrees below zero overnight and wind chills were predicted at 25 degrees to 35 degrees below zero.

"It will mark the city's coldest weather since Jan. 15-16, 2009, when the mercury bottomed out at -13 and -18," the Chicago Weather Center reported.

The arctic forecast came as the city was still reeling from what already is being called the "Blizzard of 2011." Motorists still were stranded early Wednesday, the airports were virtually empty, major roads were closed and Metra trains were running on limited schedules. CTA trains were experiencing some delays early in the morning.

At the state level, Gov. Quinn ordered all non-essential state employees to stay home because of hazardous weather conditions. And at Cook County Jail, Sheriff Tom Dart declared a civil emergency, which allows staff from other sheriff's department functions to be directed to the jail.

Meanwhile, Chicagoans awoke to eerily vacant streets and sidewalks in some areas

WHAT ABOUT THAT THUN-**DERSNOW?**

Thundersnow occurs when warm, moist air circulates vertically with the cold temperatures of a winter storm below. On Tuesday night, thunder and lightning added an eerie element to the wind-whipped snowstorm.

of the city as intrepid residents ventured out into the snowdrifts-some of which were chest-high.

Stacie Hudson, 25, took pictures on the 1000 block of North Paulina Street of her car buried in snow to send to her parents in Florida. She said the last snowplow came down her street at 6 p.m. Tuesday evening.

"So all this stuff accumulated overnight," she said. "It's going to be miserable."

Pete Wulff, 33, and Sue Huinker, 35, were trying to get to Forest Park and hoped the Blue Line still was running.

"Otherwise, we're going to hitchhike a ride on a snowmobile," Huinker joked.

Wulff said he normally drives to work, but his car was buried waist-high in a snowdrift. He was walking through the slushy street with plastic bags on his shoes because he does not own a pair of boots.

"I deserve this," he said.

The blizzard paralyzed businesses across the region, and it will have a significant economic effect as banks, retailers and other companies that rely on face-to-face contact with their customers were closed Wednesday or struggling to open.

The blizzard warning issued Tuesday was canceled by 1:15 p.m. Wednesday. Snowfall totals from the storm were pegged at 20.2 inches at O'Hare, making the Groundhog Day storm the third-largest in Chicago history.

Throughout the Chicago area, ComEd reported as many as 48,000 customers without power, including 34,000 in Chicago. By midday, the utility company had restored power to 143,000 customers since the storm began, ComEd spokeswoman Tabrina Davis said.

"It's visibility. It's road accidents. It's slick, treacherous road conditions," she said. "Our crews are experiencing that and, given those conditions, restoration times will be delaved."

Early in the day, high winds also hampered emergency crews that continued to rescue stranded motorists throughout the Chicago

On Lake Shore Drive, nearly 1,000 cars were stranded overnight. Just before dawn, firefighters walked down the line of snow-

caked cars, shining flashlights inside to check on any motorists. At 6:30 a.m., fire officials said those who wanted to be rescued from their cars had been, though at least one driver disputed that. Chicago officials said they will work into the night to clear stranded cars and buses to reopen the highway.

Chicago's two airports were ghost towns Wednesday morning, although city officials said both remained open. The Chicago Department of Aviation reported at 3:30 p.m. that O'Hare and Midway each had a few arrivals and departures. Airlines at both airports were expected to resume operations

Airlines canceled more than 2,200 flights at O'Hare, and more than 400 flights at Mid-

Though the storm couldn't claim the title of Chicago's biggest, it did set another record: Feb. 1 was the snowiest February day ever recorded in Chicago.

Did it match predictions? Yes, according to Weather Service meteorologist Gino Izzi: "As it turns out, I think it's pretty safe to say we nailed it."





LEFT: Rescue workers help stranded commuters leave Lake Shore Drive after cars and buses became stuck in the snow Tuesday.

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BELOW: A Chicago firefighter gives instructions to stranded commuters Tuesday on a CTA bus stranded on Lake Shore Drive.

BRIAN CASSELLA/TRIBUNE



City officials defend their LSD response

Chicago Tribune

By Wednesday, all stranded motorists had been rescued from Lake Shore Driveand they were warned even before the storm began that conditions would be difficult on the lakefront thoroughfare, city officials said.

Hundreds of motorists and CTA passengers were trapped on the drive for six hours or more Tuesday night. Many were not rescued until early Wednesday morning, as rescue workers battled whiteout conditions, 70 mph wind gusts and waisthigh drifts to provide help.

City officials, however, said they had cautioned people in news conferences earlier Tuesday that massive waves along the shoreline could cause extremely icy

conditions on the drive. Authorities did not officially close the road until 8 p.m., after a series of accidents caused motorists and several CTA buses to become

"As reported in [Tuesday's] press conference we knew that the lakefront and Lake Shore Drive would be hit especially hard," said Ray Orozco, Mayor Daley's chief of staff. "Nonetheless, it was clear that people leaving the Loop were relying on it as a major artery to get home that night."

Many of those motorists have blamed the city for failing to close the drive and said there appeared to be no organized rescue plan.

While acknowledging the Lake Shore

Drive standstill was "particularly troublesome," officials said they would not apologize for keeping the road open as the storm intensified. Without a series of accidents after 7 p.m., the ordeal might not have happened, they said.

"In 31 years with the city, I haven't experienced anything like we did last night," Orozco said. "We saw normal snow conditions, and the road was still passable. It was slow, but it was passable. Then we had those cascading events."

Nearly 1,000 cars were stranded on the drive overnight. As of noon, about 300 cars still were stuck around North Avenue. Streets and Sanitation Commissioner Thomas Byrne said 84 tow trucks were working to clear off the road.

What the CTA should take away from the blizzard

Talk is cheap, but by some accounts it was in short supply from the CTA during the storm Tuesday.

CTA riders told Going Public they faced a wide range of delays Tuesday, from a few minutes because packed trains passed them by in the afternoon, to a few hours because some riders were stuck on Lake Shore Drive buses into the evening.



The common theme in these delays, riders told GP, was a lack of communication from the CTA on buses and at stations.

Several CTA stations are equipped with electronic monitors that display news and weather updates, Train Tracker and/or reminders that riders should renew expiring Chicago Cards.

These displays should be used to give riders the most current information about rail shutdowns or reroutes.

When the Brown Line was malfunctioning Wednesday morning, GP noticed there wasn't a mention of shuttle service on the electronic monitors at the Belmont Red, Brown and Purple Line stop.

For stations that don't have electronic displays, customer service agents should be on the intercom system constantly telling riders the status of their trains.

Buses get a little trickier. Drivers need to focus on the roads but if they're at a standstill, they should do their best to calm riders. Some riders said their drivers kept them abreast of potential delays, while others weren't so lucky.

"The bus driver wasn't telling us anything," said Steve Rogovin, 35, who spent more than four hours on a No. 135 Clarendon/LaSalle Express bus that crawled on Lake Shore Drive on Tuesday night.

Constant communication from the CTA would have helped riders weather a tough storm.

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Really? Really.

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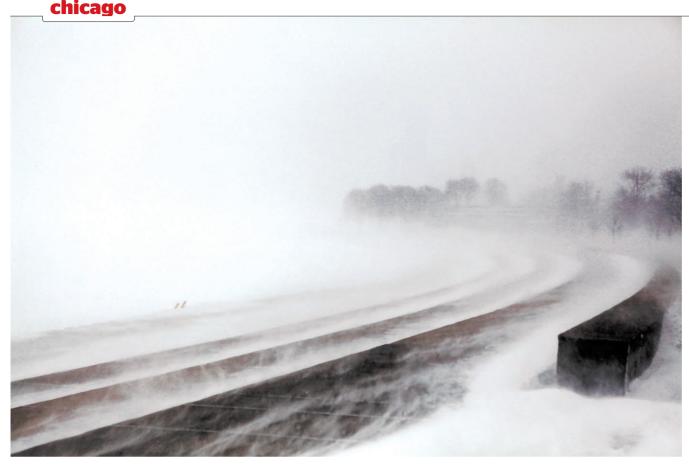












The Chicago Police Marine Unit pulled the body of a 60-year-old man from Diversey Harbor early Wednesday. WILLIAM DESHAZER/TRIBUNE

Body pulled from freezing lake

Chicago Tribune

A man's body was pulled from Diversey Harbor early Wednesday morning at the height of the storm, several hours after rescuers first unsuccessfully tried to find him to pull him from the water, officials said.

The man, 60, was pronounced dead at the scene, police said.

The man either was blown or fell into the lake, Fire Department Commissioner Robert Hoff said. A witness saw the man go into the water, but the weather was too bad for Fire Department divers to go in after him, Hoff said.

Officials originally received a distress call about 11:45 p.m. Tuesday, and the Police Marine Unit began searching for a person in the water at that time, said Chicago Police News Affairs Officer Robert Perez. The Marine Unit remained in the area, but it took them several hours to locate something that allowed them to pinpoint where to dive.

Officers were getting set to start diving when "they spotted a hat near a dock, and that's where they decided to dive, and they found the body right away," Perez

The man's body was located about 4:35 a.m. in the 2800 block of North Lake Shore Drive, Perez said, correcting earlier information about when the body was

Police also earlier had said Fire Depart-

ment rescuers pulled the man out of the icy waters. Detectives were investigating why the man might have been in the harbor area when he ended up in the water, Perez said.

The Cook County medical examiner's was not releasing information about the man as of 10 a.m., pending notification of his family. Police also corrected the man's age, which initially had been given as in his

The man was the only known blizzardrelated fatality in the city so far, Hoff said.

The man apparently was walking near the lake, and firefighters do not believe he had abandoned his vehicle on Lake Shore Drive before falling in, Hoff said.

Signs point to basement fire on North Side

Chicago Tribune

A fire that broke out at a North Side home Tuesday night appeared to have started in the basement, authorities said.

No injuries were reported in the blaze that began about 9:30 p.m. in the 3800 block of North Claremont Avenue, apparently in the basement, Deputy District Chief John Shehan said.

He said an occupant of the home already was out when firefighters arrived on the

Roughly 67 firefighters spent about 25 minutes putting out the fire and had to put a hole in the roof, which Shehan said was standard operating procedure. Despite the weather, they did not face any issues getting water to the scene.

"It's pretty ... impressive in this weather how quickly they got here and were able to strike it out," neighbor Patricia Payne said.

Shehan said the home sustained "moderate to heavy damage," and firefighters remained on the scene past 11 p.m cleaning up.



Humboldt Park saw three homicides in the past week, a RedEye analysis of preliminary police data found

Two women were shot to death Tuesday in the 3200 block of West Hirsch Street, officials said. On Friday, a 52-year-old man was fatally shot in the 3400 block of West Chicago Avenue, police said.

Humboldt Park has seen three homicides so far this year, RedEye determined. Humboldt Park saw 26 homicides last year, the most of any community area.

Citywide, gunshot homicides were recorded in Chicago Lawn, New City, South Shore and West Englewood in the past week, RedEye found. Also in the past week, a 25-year-old man was intentionally run over by a car in South Lawndale, a 54-year-old man was stabbed to death in Grand Boulevard and a 43-year-old man died from multiple injuries after he was pushed out of a window in Chatham, officials

January ended Monday with 27 homicides, a 35 percent increase from the 20 homicides recorded in January 2010. RedEve determined. Two homicides have been recorded so far in February. TSWARTZ@TRIBUNE.COM

Homicides from Jan. 26 to 4 p.m. Wednesday. The Hirsch Street location had two victims; all other locations had a single victim.

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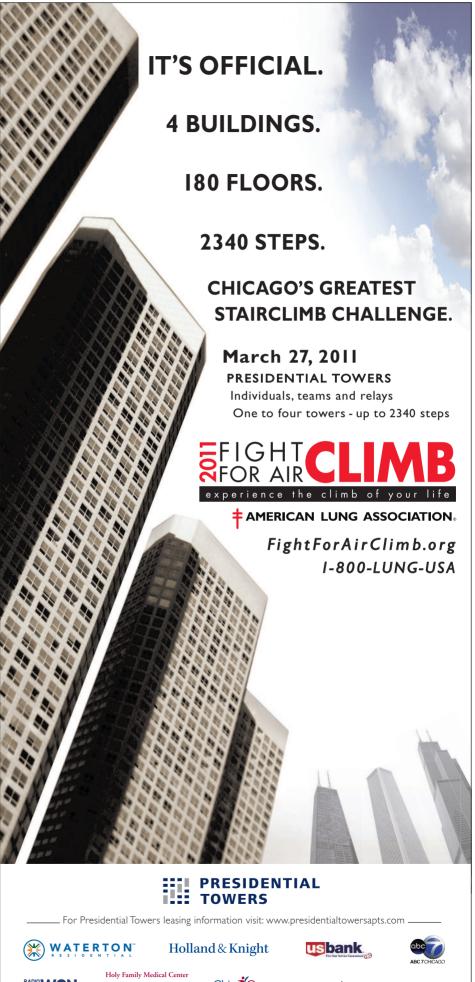
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9-11 participants revealed

A classified U.S. document obtained by the anti-secrecy group WikiLeaks shows three previously undisclosed participants in the Sept. 11, 2001 plot, The Washington Post reported Tuesday.

Manager fired for video

A Planned Parenthood clinic manager in New Jersey has been fired for behavior captured on an undercover video made by an anti-abortion group, a Planned Parenthood spokesman said Wednesday.

Punxsutawney Phil predicts early spring

Punxsutawney Phil, America's favorite groundhog, predicted an early spring Wednesday morning when he failed to see his shadow at Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pa.

China rings in new year

China will fight inflation and crack down on property speculators in the year ahead, state media on Wednesday quoted Premier Wen Jiabao as saying, as the country gave a noisy, chaotic welcome to the Year of the Rabbit.

Gulf recovery by 2012

The Gulf of Mexico should recover from the massive BP oil spill by the end of 2012, the administrator of the \$20 billion victims compensation fund said Wednesday.



VIOLENCE IN CAIRO

CAIRO Supporters and foes of embattled Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak hurled rocks, chunks of concrete and Molotov cocktails at each other into the pre-dawn hours Thursday after a day of violent street battles in central Cairo.

Sustained automatic weapons fire echoed around Tahrir Square, the epicenter of nine days of protests calling for Mubarak's ouster. Anti-government demonstrators hunkered down behind makeshift barricades in the square and outside the nearby national museum against the onslaught, which demonstrators said included plainclothes police officers.

"They're coming in with weapons. They're spreading violence," human rights activist Gigi Ibrahim said. "We've had peaceful protests here since Friday and no violence here. Only today were we faced with this really vio-

lent reaction."

Egypt's health ministry reported three people were killed and 639 were wounded in Wednesday's clashes, according to the state TV network.

Reported fatalities in the previous eight days of demonstrations ranged as high as 300, but CNN has not been able to independently confirm the death toll.

Egyptian troops, whose commanders had promised Monday not to use force against peaceful demonstrations, largely stood by throughout the day without intervening.

In one surreal moment, whip-wielding Mubarak supporters thundered through the crowd astride horses and camels, and at least one man was pulled off his mount and beaten. State-run TV said the riders were pyramid workers who were protesting the negative

COOPER ATTACKED

CNN reporter Anderson Cooper said Wednesday he and his crew were attacked after protests in Cairo turned violent.

economic effects of the crisis.

"What you are seeing is the demonstration of the real Egyptian people who are trying to take back their country, trying to take back their street," said businessman Khaled Ahmed, who described himself as "pro-Egyptian."

As night fell, the sound of gunfire reverberated in Tahrir Square, the name of which means "liberation" in Arabic. People hurled verbal insults, Molotov cocktails, rocks and anything else they could find—shards of metal, sticks, shoes—at one another.

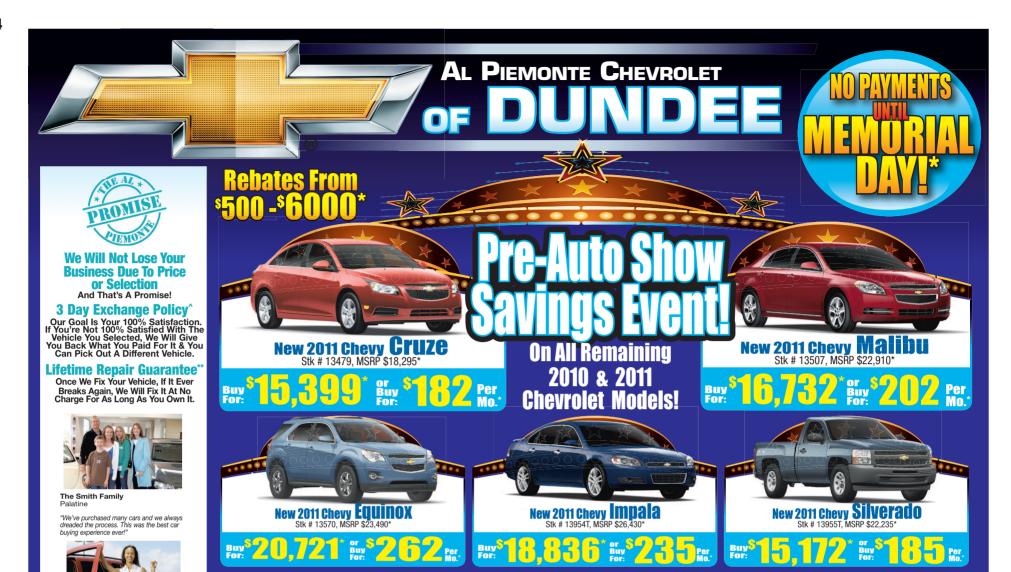


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Hate to spoil it for you, but the Pittsburgh Steelers are going to beat Green Bay to win Sunday's Super Bowl. Now the only good reason to tune in to the game is for those crazy commercials. What's that you say? That's what you always do anyway?

Still, just so you can join the conversation when Sunday rolls around, here's what the annual "Madden NFL 11" simulation predicts will happen during the big game.

Pittsburgh strikes first with a Rashard Mendenhall touchdown late in the first quarter, then follows that up with a Shaun Suisham field goal early in the second quarter to take a 10-0 lead. The Packers don't even get on the scoreboard until 26 seconds left in the half, when Aaron Rodgers hits Greg Jennings for a TD. Cheeseheads rejoice.

Considering how strong these defenses are, the third quarter features a scoring binge, with Ben Roethlisberger and Hines

SUPER DOG

I don't need a video game to tell me Pittsburgh will win the Super Bowl. I do need a drink and warm place to sleep, though. My doghouse is full of snow.

Where was I? Oh, yes. The Super Bowl. It'll be a close, defensive battle for much of the game, but the Steelers will pull away in the fourth for yet another title. What? "Madden" said the same thing? That fat man can take a walk \dots

FINAL SCORE: Pittsburgh 30, Green Bay 19

Ward hooking up for a TD before Mason Crosby nails two field goals to make the score 17-13 heading into the decisive fourth.

It looks good for Packers nation when Rodgers and James Jones connect for a TD, giving Green Bay a 20-17 lead with nine minutes left. But Roethlisberger will not be denied as he connects with speedster Mike Wallace on slant for a 36-yard TD.

The Packers threaten to steal the game late, though, but the Steelers D, appropriately enough, seals the 24-20, Super Bowl XLV victory when Ryan Clark intercepts

Rodgers' desperation throw.

Now we need a "Madden" that simulates the commercials and performances so we can skip the whole thing.

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Snow job

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TOPIC			

How much hype is too much hype for the Super Bowl?

Why are people talking about Jay Cutler during Super Bowl week?

Now that Stacey King is on Twitter, what other Chicago sports figure needs to be?

Which Chicago athlete is enjoying the snow most?

What's life been like for Amy Freeze the past couple of days? **CHRIS SOSA**

Didn't we all OD on cheese about a week ago?

Hmmm, it could be that being around Ben Roethlisberger still makes people uncomfortable.

Jennie Finch more often. We know she's got the time now that she's retired.

Derrick Rose. That dude is straight cold-blooded.

Freeze Factor Infinity.

Since Amy's on the panel. I'll let her answer that.

Not applicable. This weath-

Were you expecting them

to talk about Todd Collins?

Steve Stone, with

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SARAH KUSTOK

Thiiiiiiiiis much. (My hands When people in Dallas start are 3 feet apart right now.) talking about Brett Favre.

He was seen walking-get

Eddie Olczyk: always at the prime-time events.

The Bulls: avoiding it while in LaLa Land.

Snow angels and snowball fights galore.

AMY FREEZE

When players wear wigs. Weird. What's next, a red carpet?

'Cause he was on TMZ.

Harvey Levin makes things happen.

I'd like to see #Buehrle trendina.

Seven-foot Bulls center Omer Asik-the snow's all the way to his ankles.

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When we are talking more

about the halftime show

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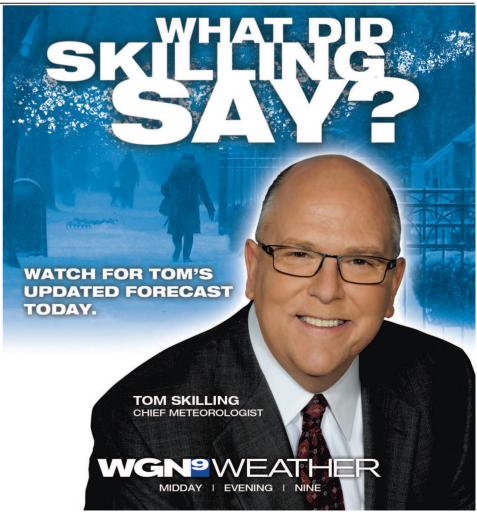
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Boozer: I'm an All-Star

LOS ANGELES On the one hand, Carlos Boozer entered Wednesday's action averaging 19.9 points and 10.2 rebounds for a Bulls team that trailed the Celtics by just 3½ games for the Eastern Conference's best record.

On the other, Boozer missed this season's first 15 games following surgery to repair the fractured fifth metacarpal in his right hand and three more to a

sprained ankle.

So when All-Star reserves are announced Thursday night on TNT, should Boozer be among them?

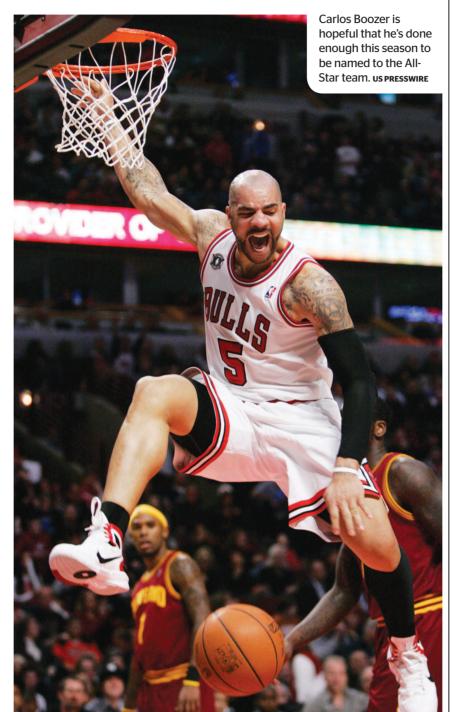
"I hope so," Boozer said. "I know I missed some games with my broken hand, but I feel like I am deserving of an All-Star appearance. If not, I'm not going to be disappointed. There are a lot of guys who feel they are deserving. If I am there, I will be extremely happy. I'll tell you that.'

Coaches for reserves and had plenty of deserving candidates to choose from after fans selected LeBron James and Amare Stoudemire

as starters. The Celtics' Kevin Garnett and Paul Pierce, the Heat's Chris Bosh, the Hawks' Josh Smith and the Bulls' Luol Deng all likely received votes.

Boozer made the 2007 and 2008 Western Conference All-Star teams, though he missed the 2007 game with an injury.

"It's a huge honor because the coaches pick you," Boozer said. "I would love to represent the Bulls with [Derrick] Rose in that game. It'd be a huge honor. If not, I'll go home and see my kids in Miami."





HONOR-A-BULLS

Not surprisingly, Tom Thibodeau (above) downplayed his Eastern Conference coach of the month honor

"I think it's more a tribute to our team," he said. "When you have a good month, it helps people get recognized."

Taj Gibson was more effusive about assistant coaches voting him for a return trip to the Rookie Challenge game during All-Star weekend, this time on the sophomore team. "It's a great experience," he said. "That means the coaches like what I'm doing."

WEDNESDAY'S GAME

Bulls at L.A. Clippers, late

GAME PLANNER

DePaul vs. **Notre Dame** 8 p.m. ESPN **UIC at Detroit** 6:30 p.m.

Loyola at Wright St. 6 p.m.

» It looks as if former Cubs manager Lou Piniella might be going back to work. The San Francisco Chronicle reports Sweet Lou will join the world champion San Francisco Giants as a consultant.



Years since Dale Earnhardt was killed in a last-lap accident during the Daytona 500. The Great American race is Feb. 20 this year.



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Where to go for a (sorta) free snack

By Emily Van Zandt and Corey Erb | METROMIX

When it's 10 p.m. and two weeks until payday, it's hard to imagine spending hard-earned money on a few beers. But we do it anyway. And if you're going to go out while on a tight budget, you might as well make the most of it. From popcorn to pizzas to chicken fingers and mac and cheese, Chicago bars are serving up free eats to keep penny-pinching customers coming back.





South Loop Club

701 St. State St. 312-427-2787

What you get: Popcorn

What you pay: The snack is free, but you'll probably want to grab a beer to wash it down with. A drink will cost you, on average, around \$7.

Details: As the name implies, this bar is a South Loop staple, catering to local residents and students from nearby Columbia College. The free snack is available anytime the bar is open. If popcorn isn't enough to satisfy, try one of their burgers or sandwiches to supplement.

Crocodile Lounge

1540 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-252-0880

What you get: 10-inch margherita pizza

What you pay: Patrons get one personal pizza with their first drink purchase. Drinks range from a \$4 PBR to a \$10 cocktail.

Details: Drinkers in the Bucktown/Wicker Park area head to this spot for the cheap beer and even cheaper eats. If you like what you taste with your free pizza, try adding extra toppings for a few dollars more, such as pasta and cheesesteak.

Gold Star Bar

1755 W. Division St. 773-227-8700

What you get: Popcorn

What you pay: \$2-\$5 for a beer or cocktail to pair with the free snack.

Details: For those craving a salty snack near Ukie Village, look no farther than this dive, where you can get two drinks for less than \$5. Need some distraction while you munch away? Bring some extra change for the jukebox or try to claim the table for a round of pool.

Marble

3281 W. Armitage Ave. 773-252-9652

What you get: Free late-night Saturday buffet **What you pay:** Between \$4.50-\$5.50 for a beer or \$4 for a cocktail with a one-drink minimum.

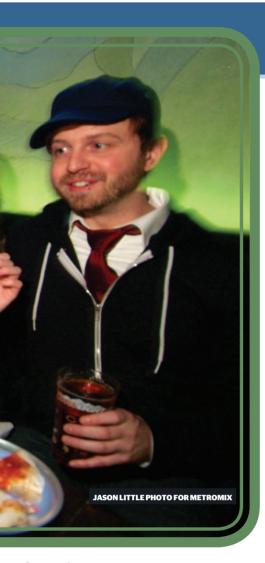
Details: Head to this Logan Square spot Saturday from 10 p.m.-1 a.m. for a free buffet featuring a variety of bites from the kitchen such as ribs and fries. Not satiated? The food menu is ultra-affordable with items ranging from cheese curds to wings to hummus.



» Chef Michael McGill has moved to **Old Oak Tap** (2109 W. Chicago Ave.) after previously running the kitchens at Small Bar. Look for him to start making changes with the brunch menu.

» Leader Bar (3000 W. Irving Park Road) is scheduled to open this weekend. The pizza and beer-focused spot is owned by the team behind Uberstein and Max Bar.

» Attn. teams Edward and Jacob: **Silver Cloud Bar & Grill** (1700 N. Damen Ave.) will host "Twilight" trivia on Feb. 24.



Quenchers

2401 N. Western Ave. 773-276-9730

What you get: Popcorn

What you pay: There's no drink minimum for the free eats, but it will run you \$5-\$6 for a pint of beer or around \$5 for a small cocktail.

Details: Grab a seat and pair your free food with one of this Bucktown bar's many microbrews. The kitchen stays open until midnight each night in case you find yourself needing something a bit more substantial.

Burwood Tap

724 W. Wrightwood Ave. 773-525-2593

What you get: Free buffet featuring a rotating menu depending on the night.

What you pay: Less than \$6 for most drinks with a one-drink minimum.

Details: Head to this long-standing Lincoln Park pub at 3 p.m. Sundays or 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays for its free buffet. Expect hearty options such as mostaccioli and meatballs, mac and cheese, chicken fingers, wings, potato wedges and more.



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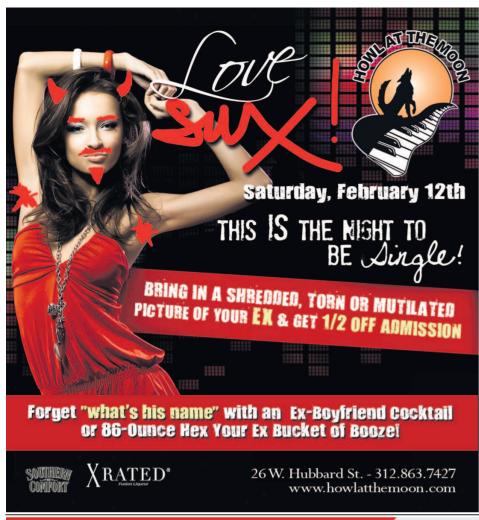
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- 59 Made of a cereal grain
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- Observe Blunder
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 The Green Hornet 3D (PG-13) 1:30,4:10,6:55,9:40

 AMC Independent The Fighter (R) 1:55,4:40,7:20,10:00

 AMC Independent Black Swan (R) ◆ 1:35,4:15,7:00,9:35

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- Biutiful (R) 1:30,5:00,8:30

 Blue Valentine (R) 1:40,4:20,7:00,9:40

 The King's Speech (R) 1:00,1:45,3:45,4:30,6:30,7:30,9:20

 Black Swan (R) 1:00,4:00,7:10,9:45,10:10

 Another Year (PG-13) 1:10,4:00,6:50,9:45

 Barney's Version (R) 1:05,4:05,7:05,10:00

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- Sanctum (R) Advance Tickets Available
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- From Prada to Nada (PG-13) 1:30,2:15,4:20,5:15,7:00, 8:00,9:45,10:45

 No Strings Attached (R) (Open captioned) 3:20,9:10

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 No Strings Attached (R) 12:40,6:20

 The Green Hornet (PG-13) 3:40,9:50

 The Dilemma (PG-13) 1:50,4:30,7:15,10:20

 True Grif (PG-13) 1:40,4:40,7:40,10:30

 The Fighter (R) 2:00,4:50,6:30,7:50,9:20,10:40

 Tangled (PG) 12:50,3:30

 Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1 (PG-13) 12:30,6:40

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- The King's Speech (R) 4:50,7:30,10:00 The Fighter (R) 5:10,7:40,10:10 True Grit (PG-13) 5:00,7:20,9:40 Black Swan (R) 5:00,7:15,9:30

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- The Mechanic (R) ◆ 10:30,12:55,3:20,5:40,8:10,10:35 AMC Independent From Prada to Nada (PG-13) 11:55,2:35,5:15,7:50,10:20
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 AMC Independent The Heart Specialist (R) 11:35, 2:40,5:10,745,10:10

 No Strings Attached (R) 11:10,2:00,4:40,7:15,10:00

 The Green Hornet(PG-13) ♣ 11:30,2:15,4:55,7:40,10:25

 The Dilemma (PG-13) 11:50,2:25,5:00,7:55,10:30

 Season of the Witch (PG-13) 11:15,1:35,4:05,6:35,9:15

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 Little Fockers (PG-13) ♣ 10:45,1:05,3:30,5:50,6:05,10:30

 AMC Independent Black Swan (R) 10:40,1:30,4:00,6:30,9:05

 Tron: Legacy (PG) 11:40,3:05,6:05,9:20

 Yogi Bear (PG) 11:20,1:40,3:55,6:15,8:35

 Unstoppable (PG-13) 11:45,2:10,4:35,7:00,9:30

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- Tangled (PG) 1:15,3:20,5:25,7:30,9:35 The Tourist (PG-13) 1:25,3:30,5:35,7:40,9:45 The Social Network (PG-13) 2:00,4:30,7:10,9:50 Tron: Legacy (PG) 1:45,4:20,7:00,10:00

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■ Nora's Will (NR) 5:45,7:45,9:45 ■ The Illusionist (PG) 5:10,7:30,9:50

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- Show times change daily
- AMC Independent From Prada to Nada (PG-13) 2:15,4:45,7:15

- The Social Network (PG-13) 2:25,5:00,7:45

 MKI (Independent Dhobi Ghat (Mumbai Diaries) (NR) 2:15,8:00

 MKI (Independent No One Killed Jessica (NR) 4:30 P.M.

 AMC Independent No One Killed Jessica (NR) 4:30 P.M.

 AMC Independent (PR) 2:45,5:15,7:30

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- The Roommate (PG-13) ◆ 12:01 A.M. The Mechanic (R) ◆ 11:30,2:15,5:00,7:50,10:30 Sanctum 3D (R) ◆ 12:01 A.M. AMC Independent Biutful (R) ◆ 11:15,2:30,5:45,9:10 The Rite (PG-13) ◆ 11:30,2:15,5:00,7:50 AMC Independent From Prada to Nada (PG-13) 11:35,2:20,5:10,8:00,10:50
- AMC Independent From Prada to Nada (PG-13) 11:35,2:20,5:10,8:00,10:50
 AMC Independent The Company Men (R) 11:20,2:05,4:45,7:45,10:25
 AMC Independent The Way Back (PG-13) 11:45,5:40
 NO Strings Attached (R) 12:00,2:45,5:28,8:15,10:55
 No Strings Attached (R) 12:00,2:45,5:28,8:15,10:55
 AMC Independent Blue Valentine (R) +1:00,5:10,7:55,10:35
 AMC Independent The King's Speech (R) +1:40,4:53,0:53
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 The Dilemma (PG-13) 11:55,2:30,5:15,8:05,11:00
 AMC Independent The Ring's Speech (R) 1:40,4:35,10:55
 The Dilemma (PG-13) 11:55,2:30,5:15,8:05,11:00
 AMC Independent The American Version (R) 11:15,2:35,5:55,9:15
 Little Fockers (PG-13) 4:40,1:0:05
 AMC Independent The Third (R) 4:10,10:05
 AMC Independent The Third (R) 4:11,10:13,0:2:05
 AMC Independent The Fighter (R) 11:10,1:50,4:50,7:40,10:20
 True Grif (PG-13) 11:05,2:00,4:35,7:10,9:50
 AMC Independent The Fighter (R) 11:10,1:50,4:50,7:40,10:20
 Tron: Legacy 3D (PG) 9:50 P.M.
 Tangled 3D (PG) 11:05,1:35
 AMC Independent 127 Hours (R) 11:50,2:10,4:40,7:25,10:00
 AMC Independent 11side Job (PG-13) 2:50,8:40

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 Sanctum: An IMAX 3D Experience (R) 12:01 A.M.
 The Mechanic (R) 12:10,2:35,5:25,8:10,10:45

 AMC Independent From Prada to Nada (PG-13) 1:20,4:10,7:09,5:0

 The Rite (PG-13) 1:30,4:30,7:30,10:25

 AMC Independent The Company Men (R):200,4:50,7:40,10:30

 NO Strings Attached (R) 12:40,3:46,6:40,9:35

 AMC Independent The Way Back (PG-13) 4:15,10:40

 The Green Hornet (PG-13) 8:20 P.M.

 AMC Independent Blue Valentine (R):205,5:05,8:05,10:45

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 The Green Hornet 3D (PG-13) 12:05,5:05,10:10,5:15,9:20

 The Green Hornet An IMAX 3D Experience (PG-13) 1:05,4:10,7:15

 Season of the Witch (PG-13) 8:25,11:30

 AMC Independent Country Strong (PG-13) 1:15,7:45

- Season of the Witch (PG-13) 8:25,11:00

 AMC Independent Country Strong (PG-13) 1:15,7:45

 True Grit (PG-13) 1:55,4:55,7:50,10:35

 AMC Independent Black Swan (R) 1:35,4:25,7:20,10:15

 AMC Independent The Fighter (R) 12:50,3:50,6:50,9:55

 Yogi Bear (PG) 12:25,3:30,5:35

 Tangled (PG) 12:25,3:00,5:35

 AMC Independent 127 Hours (R) 12:40,3:20,6:00,8:40,10:55

WEBSTER PLACE 11 (REGAL)

1471 W. Webster Ave., Chicag (800) 326-3264 #1641

- Sanctum (R) Advance Tickets Available
- Justin Bieber: Never Say Never (G) Advance Tickets Available
- The Green Hornet 3D (PG-13) 1:00,3:45,6:30,9:10
- The Rite (PG-13) 2:20.5:00.7:50.10:30
- The Mechanic (R) 1:15,3:30,5:45,8:00,10:20 ■ No Strings Attached (R) 1:40,4:10,6:40,9:20
- No Strings Attached (R) 2:40,5:10,7:40,10:10
- The Fighter (B) 1:30 4:20 7:10 10:00
- True Grit (PG-13) 1:50,4:30,7:00,9:50
- The Company Men (R) 2:00.4:45.7:20.10:05 ■ The Dilemma (PG-13) 1:10,4:00,4:50,6:50,9:30,10:15
- The Green Hornet (PG=13) 2:10 7:30
- Rabbit Hole (PG-13) 2:15 4:40 7:15 9:40

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- The Mechanic (R) 2:10.4:50.7:30.10:15
- AMC Independent From Prada to Nada (PG-13) 1:50.4:25.7:00.9:45
- The Rite (PG-13) 1:55,4:35,7:15,10:00
- AMC Independent The Heart Specialist (R) 7:50,10:25 ■ No Strings Attached (R) 1:30 4:05 7:05 9:40
- The Green Hornet (PG-13) 1:45 4:30 7:20 10:10
- AMC Independent The King's Speech (R) 2:15,5:00,7:45,10:30
- The Dilemma (PG-13) 2:25,5:05,7:40,10:20
- The Green Hornet 3D (PG-13) 2:30.5:15.8:00.10:45
- Gulliver's Travels (PG) 3:30.5:40
- Season of the Witch (PG-13) 2:00,4:20,6:45,9:10 ■ Little Fockers (PG-13) 2:05,4:45,7:10,9:35
- AMC Independent Black Swan (B) 2:35 5:20 7:55 10:35
- The Tourist (PG-13) 1:45 4:15 6:50 9:20

■ Yoqi Bear 3D (PG) 1:40,4:00,6:30,8:45

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- Sanctum 3D (R) * 12:02 A.M.
- Biutiful (R) ★ 12:01 A.M. ■ The Roommate (PG-13) ★ 12:03 A.M.
- From Prada to Nada (PG-13) ★ 1:20 4:15 7:10 9:50
- The Mechanic (R) ★ 12:40,3:20,6:10,8:40 ■ The Rite(PG-13) ★ 12:20,1:10,3:10,4:00,6:00,7:00,8:50,10:00
- No Strings Attached (R) ★ 2:00,4:50,7:40,10:20
- The Way Back (PG-13) ★ 1:15 4:10 10:15 ■ The Green Hornet 3D (PG-13) 12:50,3:40,6:30,9:30
- Blue Valentine (R) 2:30,5:15,8:15,11:00
- The Dilemma (PG-13) 2:20,5:10,7:50,10:30
- The King's Speech (R) 1:40,4:30,7:20,10:10 ■ True Grit (PG-13) 1:30,4:20,7:30,10:40
- Tron: Legacy 3D (PG) 1:00,3:50,6:45,9:40
- The Fighter (R) 1:50,4:40,7:45,10:45 Black Swan (R) 2:40,5:20,8:10,10:50
- 127 Hours (R) 12:30,3:30,6:30,9:00
- The Company Men (R) 2:10,5:00,8:00,10:55 VIP Premium 21+ ■ Sanctum 3D (R) * VIP Premium 21+ 12:02 A.M.

■ The Rite(PG-13) ★ VIP Premium 21+12:20,3:10,6:00,8:50 ■ No Strings Attached (R) ★ VIP Premium 21+ 2:00,4:50,7:40,10:20

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- The King's Speech (R) 1:00,4:00,6:50,9:30
- The Dilemma (PG-13) 12:00,2:25,4:50,7:15.9:45
- The Green Hornet 3D (PG-13) 1:30,7:00,9:35 ■ Black Swan (R) 12:40,3:00,5:20,7:40,10:00 ■ The Fighter (R) 1:40,4:15.6:45.9:20

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Some upcoming projects could put these actors back on top

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

Sometimes when stars disappear from the limelight, we assume they're gone for good. Or dead. For example, we were amazed when Calista Flockhart showed up on "Brothers and Sisters" (almost as amazed as when we found out she's dating Harrison Ford). A few celebs recently returned to the pop culture radar with new projects that could bring them back to the A-list. Let's check out their potential.



He readily earned the nickname "Wackjob Phoenix" in 2010, but Phoenix may be ready to give acting a try again with a little help from Abe Lincoln-and vampires. Deadline.com reports that the "I'm Still Here" star is on the top of the list to play a vampire-killing mentor in the adaptation

RedEye says: We think his "Walk the Line" and "Gladiator" intensity might work better in a vampire role, but OK, we'll bite.

of "Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter."

Bell hasn't really been gone, per say, but legions of fans everywhere still lament the death of cult favorite "Veronica Mars." She'll soon be back in the leading-role limelight with Showtime's dark comedy "House of Lies" as a razor-sharp worker at a management consulting firm. deadline.com reports.

RedEye says: If her work as the nasty Elle Bishop on "Heroes" is any indication, a snarky part would suit Bell just fine.

We really have no idea what she did last summer ... or the summer before that. Gellar's fallen off our radar since "Buffy" ended in 2003, but with "Ringer," whose pilot was picked up by CBS, we could see her this fall in a double role as a woman on the run from the law who disquises herself as her twin.

RedEye says: A role that potentially involves running around in the woods and defending herself? Gellar was born to do this!

After being rejected from "The Hangover 2," Gibson's hopes at redemption in 2011 depend on a fuzzy friend. Appropriately enough, Gibson's character in "The Beaver" also depends on a beaver puppet to relearn to communicate with those around him. Yes, a "prescription puppet" with some sort of Aussie accent.

RedEye says: After 2010's antics, co-star Jodie Foster and a terrycloth hand puppet may be the only ones willing to touch Gibson. Plus, beaver in the shower?

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The Muppet/ Gwyneth show

Gwyneth Paltrow's circle of friends

is growing stranger. The "Forget You" cover girl plans to join forces with Cee Lo Green at the Grammys on Feb. 13, **people.com** reports—and they'll be joined by the Muppets. No word yet on what they'll be singing or which Muppets will appear, but a cover of "Rainbow Connection" would be awesome. **GETTY IMAGES FILE PHOTO**

'Biggest Loser' returns

"The Biggest Loser" loves Chicago. The show will be back in town Feb. 19 for a Season 12 casting call at NBC Tower (454 N. Columbus Drive). For details on the casting call, visit **thebiggestlosercasting.com** and follow the team on Twitter, **@blcastingteam**.

THE DIGIT

\$257 million

That's how much "Avatar" director James Cameron earned in 2010, according to a Vanity Fair survey of top Hollywood earners released Wednesday. Johnny Depp was second with \$100 million.



Brit's heart and soul

If Britney Spears named her new album "Femme Fatale," would you hold it against her? Hope not. Brit tweeted Tuesday the cover art (above) for her new album, which is due out March 15. "I've poured my heart and soul into this album over the last 2 years," Spears tweeted. Let's hear it, Brit!

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She did it again?

What do you think of Brit's new album title and artwork? Text "**brit1**" to **87708** if it's awesome, y'all! Text "**brit2**" if it's lame. We'll text you back letting you know how everyone voted.



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Say what you will about The White Stripes, but the band continues to bewitch, even when it's breaking up. In an announcement posted online Wednesday—and signed "Meg and Jack White, The White Stripes"—the garage-rock duo (above) says it has "officially ended and will make no further new recordings or perform live." The statement goes on to say the decision was not made out of any bad blood or disagreement; rather, that the two are closing up shop to "preserve what is beautiful and special about the band and have it stay that way."





Royal casting

Lifetime has found a tiara-worthy actress for a TV movie about Prince William and Kate Middleton: Camilla Luddington will play the princess-to-be, **deadline.com** reports. Luddington, who has appeared on "CSI" and "Days of Our Lives," stars opposite newcomer Nico Evers-Swindell. Elsewhere, "No Country for Old Men" star Javier Bardem (far left) wants to be a Bond baddie, expressing his interest in playing James Bond's nemesis to "Bond 23" director Sam Mendes. And **dead line.com** also is reporting that "Inception" star Joseph Gordon-Levitt (left) is being eyed for "The Dark Knight Rises." **GETTY IMAGES FILE PHOTOS**